



September 11, 2008

Mr. Sam Olens, Chairman
ARC Board of Directors
Atlanta Regional Commission
40 Courtland Street N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Re: ARC Adoption of Concept 3

Dear Sam:

As a TPB Board member you voted with me and the rest of the TPB members at our August meeting to formally adopt Concept 3 as the regional transit Vision (the signed resolution attached). This long term, comprehensive blueprint for multi modal transit in the Metro Atlanta region is the result of over two years of our working together as a multiple county region. The plan was vetted with the public during an eight month comment period and has been revised to reflect the input received from that process. A description and a map of the revised vision are included with this letter.

The TPB adoption of Concept 3 marks a significant milestone for the TPB and our region. It signals the TPB's accomplishment of one of its major goals; our region coming together on a concept for a regional transit network to help address our congestion problems. Thus, as a fellow ARC Board member and the TPB Chair, I am asking that ARC, the region's federally-designated Metropolitan Planning Organization, fully incorporate Concept 3 into its long-range regional Aspirations Plan, integrate the Concept 3 network with the existing Regional Strategic Transportation System (RSTS) and include Concept 3 in the development of the upcoming 2040 RTP/TIP. We are also asking our other planning partners, MARTA, GRTA and GDOT to also formally adopt Concept 3 as the regional transit vision.

The TPB Staff stands ready to assist ARC in this adoption process. Thank you in advance for your support for this effort. I look forward to continuing to work closely with you to realize a completely integrated transit network for the future mobility of our region.

Sincerely,
TRANSIT PLANNING BOARD

Eldrin Bell, Chairman

Enclosure(s)

Cc: TPB Board Members and Staff
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